

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 448

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A RESOLUTION to honor Janet Smith on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body recognize those who in their years of work have performed with extraordinary dedication and devotion; and

WHEREAS, Janet Smith is one such outstanding person who has served the Highland Rim Regional Library Center with alacrity and acuity for 42 years; and

WHEREAS, Janet Smith exemplifies the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of a great Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, a native of Giles County, Janet Smith graduated from Giles County High School and earned an Associate Degree in Liberal Arts from Martin College in Pulaski; and

WHEREAS, she also earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in English from Middle Tennessee State University as well as a Master's Degree in Library Science from the George Peabody School in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, before her appointment to the Directorship of the Highland Rim Regional Library, Janet Smith devoted 30 years of exemplary service as a Bookmobile Librarian and as Assistant Director; and

WHEREAS, Janet Smith is an active and vital part of the community and her profession, participating in numerous professional organizations, such as Beta Phi Mu, the International Library Science Fraternity and the Daughters of the American Revolution; and

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WHEREAS, she has also served with distinction as Chairman of the Public Libraries Section of the Tennessee Library Association, Chair of the Nominating Committee of the Southeastern Library Association, Chair of the Tennessee Library Association's Honors and Awards Committee and a member of the State Advisory Committee for the Southeastern States Cooperative Survey; and

WHEREAS, Janet Smith generously takes time from a very busy schedule to serve as Secretary on the Advisory Council of State Library and Archives; and

WHEREAS, her adroit qualities include the uncommon ability to motivate others to fully realize their potential, perhaps the most valuable of all skills; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we extend to Janet Smith our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and continued success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.